

ALVIN HIGH SCHOOL COLOR
GUARD WINS STATE CHAMPION-
SHIP

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 11, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Alvin High School Color Guard on winning their state championship.

In April, the Alvin High School Color Guard, coached by Maurice Wright traveled to College Station to compete in the state finals and came home with their first state championship. The 25 member team works year round to perfect their routines. Their success has made Alvin proud.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to the Alvin High School Color Guard. We look forward to their continued successes. Go Yellowjackets.

HONORING HOLLY FINKELSTEIN

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Holly Finkelstein for her dedication to improving the health and well-being of children and families in our community and her involvement with the Community Health Initiative Napa County.

Ms. Finkelstein has served three terms on the Board of Directors for Community Health Initiative Napa County. She has been a member of the Executive Committee as Treasurer, Secretary and Vice President. She currently serves as the Fundraising Chair. Ms. Finkelstein has been a passionate supporter of the Community Health Initiative's mission to ensure children and their families are covered by health insurance and have access to health care services. Since 2005 Community Health Initiative Napa County has enrolled 18,000 children and their families, individuals and seniors in health insurance.

Ms. Finkelstein is involved in our community in other ways as well. She has served on multiple committees for the Napa Valley Vintners Association and is a graduate of Leadership Napa Valley, a Napa Valley Chamber of Commerce program. In 2007, Ms. Finkelstein was named one of the "Forty Under 40" Business Leaders by the North Bay Business Journal.

Ms. Finkelstein is married to her husband Judd, with whom she has two daughters, Ruby and Talulah, who have followed in their mother's footsteps by spreading kindness through their Be Kind campaign.

Mr. Speaker, Ms. Finkelstein is a giving person to those in need and her love for others is contagious. She has been an essential part of the Board of Directors for Community Health Initiative Napa County for nine years. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

CHRISTOPHER COALMAN-ANGELO

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

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Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Christopher Coalman-Angelo for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Christopher Coalman-Angelo is a student at Moore Middle School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Christopher Coalman-Angelo is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Christopher Coalman-Angelo for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING THE KOREAN-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA AND THE 2017 KORUS FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Korean-American Association of the Washington Metropolitan Area (KAAW) and its President, Young Cheong Kim, on the occasion of the 2017 KORUS Festival.

As one of the largest festivals of its kind, the KORUS festival brings together Koreans, Korean-Americans, and others from our rich multicultural community to celebrate our dynamic and harmonious relationship. The festival provides not only the opportunity for us to experience the customs of the Korean culture, but also to recognize the shared history and partnership between our two nations. The need for that partnership to continue has only been made more evident in light of North Korea's continued provocative actions. As co-chair of the Congressional Caucus on Korea, I look forward to continuing my friendship with KAAW and the Korean-American community as we continue to build on the success of our alliance and work together toward the achievement of our common goals. I will continue to do all that I can to ensure that the U.S.-Korea alliance remains strong and enduring.

It would not be possible to hold an event of this magnitude without the support and commitment of volunteers from the community.

It is my great honor to recognize the efforts of the following individuals and include in the RECORD their names:

Tae Chang, Lisa Choi, Ellen Choi, Ellen Kim, Daniel Chung, Ryan Chung, Angela Song, Anna Song, Lauren Lee, Julia Hyojin Chun, Sara Han, Paul Lee, Jacob Son, Jonathon Kwak, Jonathon Yun, Hana Amber

Cridlan, Denay Williams Taylor, Diane Lee Taylor, Daniel Lee, Christian Lim, Lindsey Hyun Ah Lim, Youchan Kim, Jaewoong Lee, Brandon Kim, Jeonggin Lee, Kylie Kim, Soobin Lebow, Dalit Lebow, Grace Ham Eun Chong.

I would also like to give special recognition to Mr. Hosan Kim, who flew all the way from South Korea to organize and perform the role of Master of Ceremonies for this festival.

Mr. Speaker, festivals like KORUS are a wonderful example of the tremendous diversity we enjoy in Northern Virginia. Such a variety of different cultures enriches the lives of our citizens and fosters greater tolerance and understanding. I commend KAAW and the volunteers listed above for helping to bring such wonderful events to fruition, and ask my colleagues to join me in wishing them great success in their future endeavors.

PRANAV CHEMUDUPATY QUALIFIES FOR THE SCRIPPS NATIONAL SPELLING BEE

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

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Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Pranav Chemudupaty for qualifying for the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

Pranav, an eighth-grader at Nolan Ryan Junior High School, won the regional spelling bee by spelling the word oxyacetylene to advance to the national championship in Washington, D.C. May 27 through June 1. He is the second member of his family to win the regional bee to advance to nationals. His older brother, Aditya won in both 2009 and 2010. Pranav has been studying for the spelling bee since he was in kindergarten and knew every single word that he was asked in the bee this year.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Pranav Chemudupaty. We look forward to his continued successes and wish him good luck at nationals.

STEVE HOGAN

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

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Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Mayor of Aurora, Colorado, Mr. Steve Hogan. I represented Aurora during my first six years in Congress and have worked with Steve through his years of public service on behalf of our community.

Steve's record speaks for itself. He entered public service as a State Representative and went on to serve six non-consecutive terms as an Aurora City Councilor before being elected the city's Mayor in 2011. During his decades of service, Steve called himself both a Democrat and a Republican, but always put his city and his constituents first. Steve has been integral to growing Aurora over the last 40 years into a major economic driver in the region and a great place to live and raise a family.

Steve's leadership in the days after the shooting at the Aurora movie theater was remarkable. He brought calm and comfort and